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1. THIS IS A TENTATIVE MESSAGE ON PRESS ARRANGEMENTS WHILE
WE AWAIT CONFIRMATION FROM GOF ON ARRIVAL POINT AND
OTHER MATTERS.

2. WE ARE HOPEFUL, ALTHOUGH NOT SURE, THAT SECRETARY
AND PARTY WILL DISEMBARK AT ORLY'S PAVILLON D'HONNEUR,
ALTHOUGH THIS FACILITY IS USUALLY RESERVED FOR CHIEFS
OF STATE. PAVILLON IS A SOMEWHAT OVAL-SHAPED STRUCTURE
SEVERAL HUNDRED YARDS DISTANT FROM THE MAIN AIRPORT
FACILITIES. THE SECRETARY WOULD PASS THROUGH THIS
BUILDING TO REACH THE MOTORCADE, AND ANY ARRIVAL STATE-
MENT WOULD NORMALLY BE MADE INSIDE. PARIS-BASED PRESS
WOULD COVER ARRIVAL FROM PRESS GALLERY INSIDE PAVILLON.
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(WE PREDICT BETWEEN 20 AND 30 LOCAL PRESS IF THERE IS
CHANCE SECRETARY WILL MAKE ARRIVAL STATEMENT.) PAO
BURNETT ANDERSON WILL BE AT AIRPORT TO MEET DEPARTMENT
SPOKESMAN.

3. NEWSMEN FROM PLANE WISHING TO COVER ARRIVAL STATE-
MENT FROM PRESS GALLERY SHOULD WALK AROUND TO ENTRANCE

ON LEFT SIDE OF PAVILLON (AS SEEN FROM PLANE). OTHERS SHOULD WALK FURTHER IN SAME DIRECTION TO REACH PRESS BUS. EXPERIENCE SHOWS THAT SOME NEWSMEN MINGLE WITH OFFICIAL PARTY AND WALK INTO MAIN HALL OF PAVILLON WHERE SECRETARY IS GREETED BY GOF OFFICIAL. GOF IS RESIGNED TO THIS AND ASKS ONLY THAT NEWSMEN ON MAIN DECK OF PAVILLON NOT USE FLASH OR ANY OTHER KIND OF LIGHTS DOWN THERE. (THEY CONSIDER THIS OF SOME IMPORTANCE, AND WE HAVE GIVEN ASSURANCES THERE WILL BE NO LIGHTS.)

4. EMBASSY TRANSPORTATION OFFICER IS STRAPPED FOR CARS AND PROPOSES TO RENT FAST 20-PASSENGER BUS FOR PRESS. THIS VEHICLE COULD KEEP UP MOTORCADE. ON THE OTHER HAND, PRESS, ON ARRIVING IN PARIS, INVARIABLY SEEM TO TAKE LONGER (TWO TO FIVE MINUTES) THAN OFFICIAL PARTY TO BOARD VEHICLE. (SOME MAKE QUICK PHONE CALLS TO DOWNTOWN BUREAUS, SOME CONFER BRIEFLY WITH LOCAL REPS AT PAVILLON, SOME ARE DELAYED FOR A FEW MOMENTS IN GETTING OUT OF CROWDED PRESS GALLERY, ETC.) WE SUGGEST PRESS BUS GO INTO TOWN SEPARATELY WITH MOTORCYCLE ESCORT, A STANDARD OPERATION THAT HAS ALWAYS WORKED WELL HERE.

5. USIS PARIS WILL MAN PRESS CENTER IN GROUND FLOOR CITRONNIER ROOM OF HOTEL CRILLON, WHICH WILL BE OPEN AS LATE AS REQUIRED ON APRIL 1 AND WILL RE-OPEN AT 0730 ON APRIL 2. PTT WILL MAN ONE TELEX AND THREE LONG-DISTANCE PHONES. (THIS HAS ALWAYS BEEN MORE THAN CONFIDENTIAL

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ENOUGH, SINCE MOST NEWSMEN PREFER TO FILE THROUGH THEIR PARIS BUREAUS.) NO PROBLEM WITH CREDIT CARDS.

6. EMBASSY AUDITORIUM WILL BE SET UP FOR PRESS CONFERENCE SHOULD THE SECRETARY DECIDE TO HAVE ONE. OUR PLANNING HAS BEEN BASED ON ASSUMPTION THAT SHOULD HE SO DECIDE IT WOULD PROBABLY BE FOR APRIL 2, AFTER HIS CONVERSATIONS WITH PRESIDENT GISCARD.

7. MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS HAS PROPOSED RATHER LOW-KEY APPROACH TO PRESS CREDENTIALS THAT WOULD SIMPLIFY THINGS FOR TRAVELLING PRESS. THEY PROPOSE THAT INSTEAD OF SPECIAL FRENCH BADGE THAT OUR NEWSMEN WOULD HAVE TO PICK UP AT PRESS CENTER BEFORE ATTENDING EVENTS TRAVELLING NEWSMEN SIMPLY USE WHATEVER CREDENTIALS THEY HAVE BEEN ISSUED IN WASHINGTON FOR TRIP, WITH PARIS-BASED NEWSMEN USING THEIR REGULAR FRENCH PRESS CREDENTIALS. THEY SAY, HOWEVER, THAT FOR THIS TO WORK PROPERLY THEY WILL NEED

TO SEE A SAMPLE SET OF THE US CREDENTIALS A FEW DAYS
BEFORE SECRETARY'S ARRIVAL, SO THAT THEIR SECURITY
OFFICIALS WILL RECOGNIZE THEM AND LET OUR NEWSMEN PASS.
PLEASE SEND US A SAMPLE BADGE OR OTHER CREDENTIAL.

8. GIVEN SCHEDULE AS IT STANDS, PRESS EVENTS DURING
VISIT WOULD BE THE FOLLOWING:

A. ARRIVAL. AS OUTLINED ABOVE.

B. ELYSEE BREAKFAST. ALL PROPERLY ACCREDITED
NEWSMEN SO WISHING MAY ENTER ELYSEE COURTYARD
FOR SECRETARY'S ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE. VIPS
GOING TO THE ELYSEE NORMALLY DO NOT SAY MUCH
TO THE PRESS GOING IN, EXCEPT PERHAPS FOR A
FEW COURTEOUS PHRASES, BUT MANY STOP AND TALK
AT SOME LENGTH ON THEIR WAY OUT. AS FOR
POOLS, A SMALL VISUAL POOL, HALF-AMERICAN,

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HALF-FRENCH, IS TAKEN INTO THE MEETING (IN
THIS CASE BREAKFAST) ROOM FOR A FEW MINUTES
OF SHOOTING BEFORE SERIOUS BUSINESS BEGINS.
SINCE THE TRAVELLING PRESS CONSISTS MAINLY OF
WRITERS WE COULD ASK TO HAVE A WRITER OR TWO
INCLUDED IN THIS POOL, ALTHOUGH THE FRENCH
CONSIDER IT A PRIMARILY PHOTO EVENT AND DO
NOT EVEN LET SOUND EQUIPMENT INTO THE ROOM.

C. QUAI D'ORSAY. THIS WILL HAVE TO BE OUTLINED
WHEN ITINERARY IS MORE CLEAR.

D. PRESS CONFERENCE. WE PROPOSE DOING THIS IN
THE EMBASSY AUDITORIUM, AS INDICATED ABOVE,
WITH SIMULTANEOUS INTERPRETING BETWEEN ENGLISH
AND FRENCH. WE WOULD EXPECT BETWEEN 40 AND
60 LOCAL PRESS TO ATTEND, INCLUDING AT LEAST
TWO FRENCH TV CHANNELS AND ALL THREE US NETS.

9. REQUIREMENTS OUTLINED REFTELS B AND C WILL BE MET.
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